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[1](#)1. (C) The Dayton Article IV Contact Group (CG) countries of Russia, Italy, Britain, France, Germany, and the U.S. have confirmed full support for the U.S.-recommended changes (ref a) to the Contact Group letter to be sent to the OSCE Personal Representative (PR) for Dayton Article IV. Inter alia, the letter, which will be delivered to the PR by the German delegation to the OSCE, contains language that clearly indicates the CG is responding to the PR's plans and that the letter will be shared with the Parties.

[1](#)2. (C) Mission has confirmed that the letter will be delivered to the PR not later than 31 August. The letter is a statement of political support for the PR's vision for the future ownership plan for Dayton Article IV by the Parties themselves, Bosnia, Croatia, Montenegro, and Serbia (ref b). This is timed to precede and support the PR's annual report to the OSCE Permanent Council at its 3 September meeting.

[1](#)3. (C) The PR, Brigadier General Costanzo Periotto (Italy), expressed his support and appreciation for U.S. efforts.

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